HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 10971190-3 Intellectual Property Administration P. O. Box 272400 Eort-Collins, Colorado 80527-2400 IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE I hereby certify that this is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail ticipated Classification of this application: Subclass Prior application: "Express Mail" label no. EV129866960US Meonske, Tonia L. Examiner: OR Art Unit: 2183 () I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office facsimile number **Commissioner For Patents** Number of pages: PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Typed Name: Signature: REQUEST FOR A CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b) Sir: This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) a continuation application of: divisional application of: **Pending Prior Application** Application No. 09/493,986 filed 01/28/2000 Title UTILIZING A SCOREBOARD WITH MULTI-BIT REGISTERS TO INDICATE A PROGRESSION STATUS OF AN INSTRUCTION THAT RETRIEVES DATA Name of applicant(s) Soltis, et al. Copy of Application (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the drawings. () Enclosed is a new specification, including new drawings. Oath or Declaration (X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior Declaration (37 CFR 1.63(d)). () Enclosed is a newly executed Declaration (original or copy). Foreign Priority - 35 USC 119 () Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 has been claimed in prior Application No. filed on _____ in ___ () The certified copy has been filed in prior Application No. _ () A separate paper claiming direct priority to a foreign application is enclosed herewith. A certified copy of the foreign application will be provided in due course. Relate Back - 35 USC 120 (X) Amend the specification after the title by inserting the following heading: -- Cross Reference To Related Application(s)--; and add the paragraph: --This is a (X) continuation () divisional of copending application number 09/493,986 filed on 01/28/2000

which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

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Respectfully submitted,

Soltis, et al.

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